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FADE IN:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - DAY
ESTABLISHING SHOT as we push through the clouds to Care-a-Lot. TWINKERS and several other WISHING STARS zoom past the camera, trailing stardust as they hurry down to Care-a-Lot.

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - CARE SQUARE - DAY
Various CARE BEARS head for Care Square - something big is going on.

A raised platform has been erected at the edge of the square. Standing on it are CHEER, and FUNSHINE. *

SHARE hurries, waving to OOPSY and WINGNUT to join her. *

SHARE
C'mon Oopsy! It's time to get *
ready for the Starshine Parade! *
Are you as excited as I am? *

OOPSY
You bet I am!-- But I'd be more *
excited if I knew what the *
Starshine Parade was. What is it? *

WINGNUT *
<beeps of agreement "me too"> *

SHARE
Oh <giggle> It's a day full of *
fun, food, games, and a big parade! *
But first we pick who will get to *
make the most important part of the *
parade-- *

FUNSHINE (O.S.)
Hey guys, everyone quite down! *

ON THE STAGE - Funshine waves his arm to get everyone's attention. *

FUNSHINE (CONT.)
As you all know, the Starshine *
Parade is tomorrow. So that means *
today's the day when we pick who *
will make the Starshine star! *

Share asides to Oopsy and Wingnut. *

SHARE
The Starshine Star is the center-piece of the big float. It’s an honor to get picked to make it.

Twinkers joins Cheer and Funshine on the platform. Twinkers carries a BOX, full of slips of paper that he sets on a podium.

CHEER
This is going to be the best Starshine Parade ever!

FUNSHINE
It’s always good Cheer, because you check-in on everyone and make sure everything goes just right.

CHEER
I like to make sure it’s all perfect!

Cheer holds up the box and gives it a good shake. Funshine then reaches in, feeling around... then he pulls out a slip of paper.

FUNSHINE
And this year’s Starmaker is...

The Care Bear crowd leans forward in anticipation.

Funshine holds up the paper with a picture of Cheer Bear’s belly badge symbol on it.

FUNSHINE (CONT.)
It’s Cheer Bear!

The crowd <CHEERS> for Cheer, who blushes at the honor.

CHEER
Oh, I promise to make the best Starshine Star ever!

The excited crowd of bears, including GRUMPY, look at each other.

SHARE
Now we each get to do our part and share in the fun! I’ll gather the flowers!

Grumpy folds his arms and frowns.

GRUMPY
<groan> I suppose I’ll build the float. <sigh> Like I do every year.

SHARE
But Grumpy, I thought you liked building the float.

Grumpy’s frown breaks into a little smile.

GRUMPY
Yeah, I guess I do. It’s hard to be grumpy during the Starshine Parade.

FUNSHINE
I’ll organize the games.

SURPRISE
My friends and I will decorate Care-a-Lot! Right, Bedtime?

Everyone turns to BEDTIME BEAR, who is sleeping standing up. Surprise Bear nudges him gently.

BEDTIME
That’s right- yawn! After I wake up.

Oopsy taps Grumpy on the shoulder - Wingnut is behind Oopsy.

OOPSY
So, what can we do?

WINGNUT
<agreement beeps>

GRUMPY
Let me think... Never hurts to do a little clean-up before the big day.

OOPSY
Then Wingnut and I volunteer to make sure Care-a-Lot sparkles and shines for tomorrow!

WINGNUT
<agreement beeps! “you bet”>

Oopsy and Wingnut run over to a work shed, and Oopsy throws open the door. The two pull out brooms and clippers, but get tangled up. Oopsy loses his balance and falls head-first into an open trash can.

OOPSY (PARTIAL O.S.)
(with echo)
Oopsie...

Wingnut tips the trash can over, and Oopsy extricates himself. They stand up holding their brooms and clippers, then run off.

Elsewhere, Cheer stands next to the podium with Funshine and Grumpy. Cheer goes over a piece of paper.

CHEER
Wow, there's a lot to get done before the parade tomorrow.

FUNSHINE
This year you're going to be too busy to supervise.

GRUMPY
You get to make the Starshine Star. It's an important job.

FUNSHINE
Everyone's counting on you.

Cheer gives a nod of agreement.

CHEER
I'll get right to work. But first I want to check in on everyone else to make sure they know what to do. Right Twinkers?

Cheer looks up. From above, Twinkers and the other Wishing Stars smile and nod, sprinkling stardust down on them.

GRUMPY
<ACH-CHOO!> Grrr, stardust always gives me the sneezes! <ACH-CHOO!>

WIPE TO:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - SWEETHEART CANDY SHOP - DAY
ESTABLISHING SHOT of the sweet shop.

CHEER (O.S.)
So, Harmony, what do you have planned for the Starshine Parade?

INT. SWEETHEART CANDY SHOP - DAY
HARMONY holds up a pan of candies, fresh from the oven.

HARMONY
I want to make special new candy flavor. But so far I've had some trouble.

CHEER
Maybe I can help?

HARMONY
Thanks, but I know you have other work to do, I think I can manage. *

CHEER
It won't take long. Here, let me try. What flavor is this? *

Cheer takes one of the candies and tastes it. She smiles at how yummy it tastes.

CHEER (CONT.)
Mmmmmmm- <GLERK!>

But then she reacts in shock. Her eyes bug out and her mouth pinches tight! Harmony smiles big and proud. *

HARMONY
That's super-sour lemon-power citrus-pucker! Isn't it great?

Cheer races out of the sweetshop in a hurry. Harmony looks proud.

CHEER
(raspy)
Yeah... great...

HARMONY
<happy squeal!> She loves it! She's going to tell everyone! I better make more! * *

WIPE TO:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - CARE SQUARE - DAY

Cheer is head-first down in the fountain, drinking to off-set the effects of Harmony's candy. She stands up, looking relieved.

CHEER
<drinking> (then) Aaaah.

REVEAL Oopsy and Wingnut watching her, they hold RAKES.

OOPSY
You must have tried Harmony's candy.

CHEER
Yeah, it's sour.

OOPSY
When Wingnut tasted it he lost his main spring.

On cue, Wingnut's head SPROINGS up like a jack-in-the-box and bounces around.

WINGNUT *
<surprised beeping> *

Oopsy quickly pushes Wingnut's head back into place. Cheer giggles, then heads off on her way.

CHEER
<giggle> Good luck tidying up the square. I have more people to check up on! *

Oopsy and Wingnut turn to the square and see that it's covered in fallen leaves.

OOPSY
That's a lot of leaves to rake.

Wingnut gets an idea.

WINGNUT
<excited beeping!> *

The little robot opens his front panel and pulls out a silly-looking LEAFBLOWER type of device. He turns it on. The leaf blower <WHIRS> to life, then Wingnut runs it over the ground, blowing away the leaves.

OOPSY
Let me try! Let me try!

Wingnut hands the blower to Oopsy, who immediately loses control of it - waving it around wildly.

OOPSY (CONT.)
<Aaaaaaaahhh!> *

He points it at a tree, causing it to blow all the leaves off the tree. After a beat, it blows the entire tree over away!

The blower gets free, bouncing around on the ground, and chases after Oopsy and Wingnut - who flee out of the square.

WIPE TO:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - SHARE'S HOUSE - DAY
A busy Cheer looks over her list of Starshine items as she hurries

over to Share’s house.

CHEER
So much to do. I’d better see how Share’s coming with the flowers, then I’ll make the Star.

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - SHARE’S BACKYARD GARDEN - DAY

A concerned-looking Share stands in her garden as Cheer arrives.

SHARE
Cheer! Am I glad to see you.

CHEER
What’s wrong?

SHARE
I don’t have enough flowers in my garden for the parade. What do I do?

Cheer thinks on this, then-

CHEER
There are plenty of wild flowers growing over by Cloud Hill!

WIPE TO:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - CLOUD HILL - DAY

The field near the base of Cloud Hill is covered with flowers - Cheer and Share have fill several baskets with flowers.

SHARE
Thanks for all your help, Cheer. This is all the flowers I need. Um... (remembering) Don’t you have to make the Starshine Star?

CHEER
I’m going to work on that next. I just have a few more things to check up on first.

Cheer and Share react to a an approaching <WHIRRR> sound.

SHARE
Do you hear a something?

Wingnut and Oopsy flee from the out-of-control leaf-blower.

OOPSY
The leaf blower, it’s after us! Run for your lives!

Cheer and Share run, as there's a mad scramble from the leaf blower. The baskets of flowers get spilled, petals flying. *

Cheer rubs her belly badge, creating a RAINBOW LASSO. She quickly lassos the leaf blower, but it pulls her along behind it. * *

CHEER *
<Whoaaaaaaaaaaaahhhhh!> *

Cheer bumps into Share, knocking her into a pile of flowers- *

INSERT ON SHARE - She pops up into shot with big SUNFLOWERS where her eyes should be and a row of SMALL FLOWERS where her mouth should be. She shakes them off, revealing her normal face. * * *

Cheer pulls hard at the rainbow lasso, reeling it in until she's able to shut it off. * *

She hands it back to Wingnut, as Oopsy looks around at the mess.

OOPSY
Oopsie...? Gotta admit, the flowers make the mess seem pretty. (off Cheer's look) Don't worry, Wingnut and I will clean it up. * * * * *

Cheer looks up at the sky.

CHEER
Oh, it's getting late and I still have other stops to make! * *

Cheer rushes off.

CUT TO:

INT. FUNSHINE BEAR'S HOUSE - AFTERNOON

We see Funshine in CU, counting something O.S..

FUNSHINE
Ten-thousand four-hundred thirty-two... Ten-thousand four-hundred thirty-three...

Cheer appears in the window next to Funshine, who sits on a chair.

CHEER
Hey, Funshine. What're you doing?

FUNSHINE
Counting to see if I have enough-

CHEER
Games? I'll help! I love games!

Cheer darts away from the window to come inside. Funshine waves his arms to warn her. *

FUNSHINE
Cheer! Wait!

Too late - the door flies open and Cheer comes rushing inside... only to discover the floor is covered with marbles.

CHEER
<WHOOPS!>

Cheer slips and slides all over the place, finally <CRASHING> on the floor unhurt.

CHEER (CONT.) *
Marbles? *

Funshine helps her up.

FUNSHINE
I was counting to see if I had
enough for tomorrow. *

CHEER
Maybe you should pick something a *
little less slippy-trippy. *

FUNSHINE
Good idea. I've got plenty of *
other games in the closet. *

Cheer opens the door to the game closet, only to get buried under an <AVALANCHE> of games, toys, sporting equipment, etc.

After a moment, Cheer's head pops up from the pile.

FUNSHINE (CONT.)
I don't know which ones to choose. *

Cheer manages to climb out of the pile.

CHEER
I'll help you! *

FUNSHINE
Great!... but don't you have to *
work on the Starshine Star? *

CHEER
I have plenty of time. Besides, this is important.

As Cheer and Funshine dig into the pile of games, we...

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - FUNSHINE'S HOUSE - LATE AFTERNOON
A harried looking Cheer waves good-bye to Funshine.

FUNSHINE
Thanks again for all your help, Cheer!

Cheer leaves, looking again at her list.

CHEER
I'm behind schedule. I have to hurry and check on the others.

FADE OUT:

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FADE IN:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - DOWNTOWN PARADE ROUTE - LATE AFTERNOON
Surprise Bear and other TBD Care Bears decorate the buildings - putting up strings of lights, bunting, streamers, etc.

Surprise Bear uses her belly badge power to pop a gift box - then tosses it into the air, where it <POPS> into streamers that settle over the trees.

She then grabs up a big string of lights, ready to put them up on a nearby building. She looks up and thinks...

SURPRISE
Hmmmm.

Cheer shows up, seeing Suprise with the lights.

CHEER
Need help with the lights, Suprise?

SURPRISE
Thanks, but I think I can manage.

CHEER
I want everything "just so" for tomorrow. Let me help.

Cheer rubs her belly badge, creating a rainbow scaffold under her and Surprise that lifts them up to the top of the building.

CHEER (CONT.)
Okay, hand me those lights.

Surprise gives her the string of lights. As Cheer starts putting them up, Surprise asks:

SURPRISE
How’s the Starshine Star coming?

Cheer continues stringing lights with Surprise helping.

CHEER
I’m working on it tonight. (re: the building) This could use some more sparkles and streamers.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - DOWNTOWN - NIGHT

Downtown is completely decorated. A weary-looking Cheer checks off another item on her list.

CHEER
Parade route decorations are perfect. Time to get home and work on the Starshine Star.

Cheer starts to walk home. She passes Oopsy, who is stuck head-first inside a trash can. Wingnut struggles to pull Oopsy out.

WINGNUT
<TIRED BEEPS>

Cheer stops and lends a hand, pulling on Oopsy’s feet.

CHEER
Together, Wingnut. 1... 2... 3!

Cheer and Wingnut pull... and yank Oopsy out of the trash can, causing all of them to fall over.

The three get to their feet.

OOPSY
Thanks. I was worried I’d be spending the night in there!

WINGNUT
<BEEPS and WHISTLES>

OOPSY
Right, Wingnut. We better get home. *
Big day tomorrow.

Oopsy and Wingnut head off on their way. Cheer starts to leave, too - but <BANGING> and <SAWING> noises from Grumpy's garage draw her attention.

CHEER
I need to get to work on the Star.

Cheer walks away from Grumpy's garage and O.S., then turns around and comes back.

CHEER (CONT.)
But Grumpy's float is the last thing on the list.

CUT TO:

INT. GRUMPY'S GARAGE - NIGHT

Grumpy works away on the yet-unrevealed O.S. parade float. Grumpy scowls at the results, then walks O.S. Grumpy returns into the shot carrying a large hammer - then exits out of the shot, followed by O.S. <HAMMERING> noises.

GRUMPY (O.S.)
<GRUMBLING>

Grumpy returns into the shot and walks out of the shot. He returns into the shot again, this time carrying a larger hammer. He exits the shot again, followed by O.S. <HAMMERING>.

He returns into the shot and walks out of the shot, then return - this time carrying an even larger hammer.

GRUMPY (CONT.)
<GRUMBLING>

Cheer peers in through the garage door, catching Grumpy on one of his return trips - he carries a ludicrously over-sized mallet.

CHEER
How's the float coming?

GRUMPY
Terrible! It's a total disaster!

Cheer looks at the O.S. float - her eyes grow wide.

CHEER
Wow...

REVEAL that the PARADE FLOAT is magnificent - radiantly decorated with lights, fountains, topiary, etc.

Cheer is in awe - Grumpy shakes his head.

GRUMPY
You don’t have to say it. I know. The float stinks.

CHEER
Grumpy, the float is beautiful! It’s amazing! It’s... really good!

GRUMPY
But I can’t get it to run. The frangdoodle in the mid-shaft is bent. I’m tryin’ to fix it.

CHEER
Can I help?

GRUMPY
Well, an extra set of hands could be good. But what about your Starshine Star?

Grumpy points up to the top of the float - in a gap is a mount for the Starshine Star.

GRUMPY (CONT.)
It goes right up there. Are you going to have it ready for tomorrow?

CHEER
I promise I’ll get right on it once I’m done helping you.

Grumpy doesn’t look convinced, but then hands the oversized mallet to Cheer.

GRUMPY
Well, okay. You use this little hammer. I’ll get the big one.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. GRUMPY’S GARAGE - NIGHT

An exhausted, oil-stained Cheer leaves Grumpy’s garage. Grumpy waves good-bye to her.

GRUMPY
Thanks for all the help, Cheer.

Cheer takes out her list and checks it.

CHEER
Okay. The float is all fixed. I'm finished with the list.

Cheer looks tired, but smiles and puts the list away.

CHEER (CONT.)
Everything's set for tomorrow.

A wide-awake Bedtime Bear passes by Cheer as he makes his rounds.

BEDTIME
It's late, Cheer. You need to get to bed. Big day tomorrow.

CHEER
<YAWN> Right Bedtime. Tomorrow-
<YAWN> -big day. Good night.

BEDTIME
Good night, Cheer.

A very tired-looking Cheer trudges on home.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - CARE SQUARE - THE NEXT MORNING

Care-a-Lot is bustling with activity. The Starshine Parade is almost ready to start.

Share admires her flowers and hands out beautiful bouquets.

Funshine is ready with games for the day, including jump ropes, balls, and frisbees. He looks up and sees Twinkers and the wishing stars enjoying the parade from above.

Grumpy puts the finishing touches on the parade float - straightening the flowers and plucking a stray leaf off of one of the topiaries.

Grumpy suddenly DUCKS as a frisbee flies by his head.

FUNSHINE (O.S.)
Heads up!

An apologetic Funshine arrives next to Grumpy - the two admire the parade float.

GRUMPY
Burbling bunderbugs, Funshine! You coulda' ruffled my fur!
(MORE)

GRUMPY(CONT.)
And you know how much I don’t like my fur ruffled!

FUNSHINE
<chuckle> Sorry Grumpy. I didn’t mean to.

Share places one last flower setting by a bench and looks around.

SHARE
Looks like everything’s all set for the parade!

GRUMPY
Except for Cheer.

FUNSHINE
Where is she?

All the Bears in the square look around.

CHEER (O.S.)
Wait!

Just then, Cheer arrives sprinting into the square. She rushes over to the parade float, and then catches her breath.

CHEER (CONT.)
Sorry, I overslept! But I’m ready to get the fun started.

Cheer steps up to addresses the crowd.

CHEER (CONT.)
I want everyone’s attention! I want to announce the start of this year’s Starshine Parade!

Funshine interrupts her.

FUNSHINE
Hold up, Cheer! We need something.

CHEER
What?

FUNSHINE
The Starshine Star you built for the float.

Cheer recoils in horror. She looks up at the top of the parade float... and the empty mount where the Star is supposed to go.

CHEER
Oh no... I forgot to make the star!

The crowd reacts in shock.

CROWD
<GASP!>

All eyes in the crowd are on Cheer.

SHARE
You didn’t make the Starshine Star?

GRUMPY
We can’t start until there’s a centerpiece on the float.

FUNSHINE
With no centerpiece, there’s no parade.

Twinkers and other wishing stars wilt in disappointment.

Cheer feels horrible. Grumpy and the other bears don’t look happy.

CHEER
I had a responsibility and I let everyone down.

Cheer hangs her head.

CHEER (CONT.)
I should have been working on the star, instead of worrying about what everyone else was doing.

She looks up at her friends.

CHEER (CONT.)
I wouldn’t blame you if you don’t forgive me.

Cheer starts to shuffle off home. Grumpy stops her from going.

GRUMPY
Don’t be so hard on yourself. You did help me fix the float. Without you, it wouldn’t be working today.

SHARE
And you were the one who helped me find flowers when I ran out.

FUNSHINE
Yeah, I'd still be searching through a pile of games if it weren't for you. *

Cheer brightens up a bit.

CHEER
Thanks... I wish I hadn't put off what I was supposed to do. *

Funshine, Share, and Grumpy look at Twinkers and the other wishing stars up above. Cheer looks up at them and smiles.

FUNSHINE
You know? No one says that we have to make a centerpiece. *

GRUMPY
It just has to be bright.

SHARE
And it has to ride on the float.

Twinkers and other wishing stars bounce up and down.

Cheer breaks out in a big smile.

CHEER
Maybe there's still a way to have a centerpiece...

WIPE TO:

EXT. CARE-A-LOT - CARE SQUARE - MOMENTS LATER
The bears look on, watching Cheer do something O.S..

FUNSHINE
This is a great idea!

SHARE
Let's get this started!

REVEAL that Cheer is on the parade float. She's re-worked the top of the float to make it a stage... featuring Twinkers and the other Wishing Stars (the Rock Stars).

Cheer smiles to her friends.

CHEER
Who wants a home-made star... when you can have real stars! *

Cheer uses her belly-badge to create a rainbow-colored star-shaped frame around the star mount. This is the signal to Twinkers and the band to start jamming their <MUSIC>.

The parade is underway!

As we pull back on this festive scene, in the foreground is Oopsy... stuck again in a trash can.

OOPSY (PARTIAL O.S.)
Oh, not again...

Wingnut struggles to pull him free as we...

FADE OUT.

THE END